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RULE 132 DECLARATION

Commissioner for Patents:

I, Matthew A. Megaro, residing at 118 Stoneridge Drive, Chapel Hill, NC 27514, declare as follows:

1. I am an original inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought for the application identified above (“the present application”), and I am also an original inventor of U.S. Patent No. 7,225,512 (“the ‘512 patent”).

2. I and my co-inventors conceived and developed the subject matter disclosed in the ‘512 patent. Both the present application and the ‘512 patent are commonly owned.

3. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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